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SUBJECT: URGENT DEMARCHES ON UNESCO CULTURAL DIVERSITY
CONVENTION

REF: A. (A) SECSTATE 184292

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(SBU) AMBASSADOR MADE REFTEL (A) DEMARCHE TO FOREIGN
MINISTER PETTIGREW ON OCTOBER 7 AND POST PASSED IT AS WELL TO
THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. POST PASSED SECRETARY
GUTIERREZ'S LETTER ON OCTOBER 13 TO INDUSTRY MINISTER EMERSON
(REFTEL (B)). WE ALSO PASSED THE TEXT OF USTR PORTMAN'S
LETTER TO TRADE MINISTER PETERSON, TO FOREIGN AFFAIRS CANADA
AND TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED
FORMAL RESPONSES TO ANY OF THESE LETTERS, ALTHOUGH THE PRIME
MINISTER'S OFFICE HAS PROMISED A RESPONSE. BUT GIVEN THE
PRE-ELECTION CLIMATE AND HERITAGE MINISTER FRULLA'S RECENT
PUBLIC STATEMENTS, WE DO NOT EXPECT MOVEMENT FROM THE
CANADIANS.

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